

FISCAL NOTE

SB 168 - HB 170

February 11, 2005

SUMMARY OF BILL: Establishes the Tennessee Commercial Aerial and Ground Spraying Protection Act of 2005 which:

- Restricts the use of commercial agriculture ground or aerial pesticides.
- Requires advance notification regarding planned application of pesticides and the type of pesticide to be used.
- Requires the maintenance of records for two years regarding the specific use of pesticides.
- Requires the Department of Agriculture to:
 - Maintain a registry of pesticide-sensitive persons and all certified organic farms.
 - Notify all pesticide application licensees quarterly, or more often if necessary of those persons on the registry.
 - Provide a toll-free hotline for persons to report improper chemical application.

ESTIMATED FISCAL IMPACT:

**Increase State Expenditures - \$437,200 Recurring
\$80,000 One-Time**

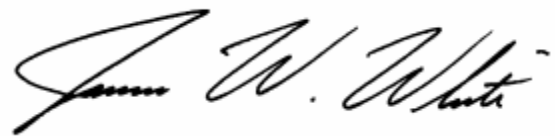
Increase State Revenues - \$18,750

Assumptions:

- The need for 11 positions and related expenses in the Department of Agriculture to enforce the requirements of the bill.
- Increase in state revenues from registration fees collected.

CERTIFICATION:

This is to duly certify that the information contained herein is true and correct to the best of my knowledge.



James W. White, Executive Director